GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:89
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BILL ON PENSION FOR UNORGANISED LABOUR
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has put up a copy of Bill on Pension for the unorganised labour on its website inviting suggestions from stakeholders;

(b) if so, the number and details of the suggestions received so far;

(c) whether the stakeholders claim that this Bill is too general and does not give any details as reported in the `Hindustan Times` dated February 08, 2007;

(d) if so, the response of the Government thereto;

(e) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the time by which the Bill is likely to be presented in the Parliament?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA QUESTION NO. 89 FOR 05.03.2007 REGARDING BILL ON PENSION FOR UNORGANISED LABOUR.

(a) : The Ministry had put up a copy of the draft of Unorganised Workers Social Security Bill, 2007 on its website on 29.01.2007 inviting comments and suggestions of all stakeholders and general public by 15th February, 2007. The date has since been extended upto 15th March, 2007.

(b)to(e) : Till 28.02.2007, suggestions and comments have been received from 10 stakeholders which are being examined in the Ministry. Some of the stakeholders have claimed that the Bill is not comprehensive in nature and have suggested certain modifications, like covering all the social security aspects, including regulation of employment and wages, decent conditions of work and protection of women labour from sexual harassment.

(f) : Concerted efforts are being made to introduce the Bill in the Parliament at the earliest.